

Habitat and Wildlife Protection and Restoration

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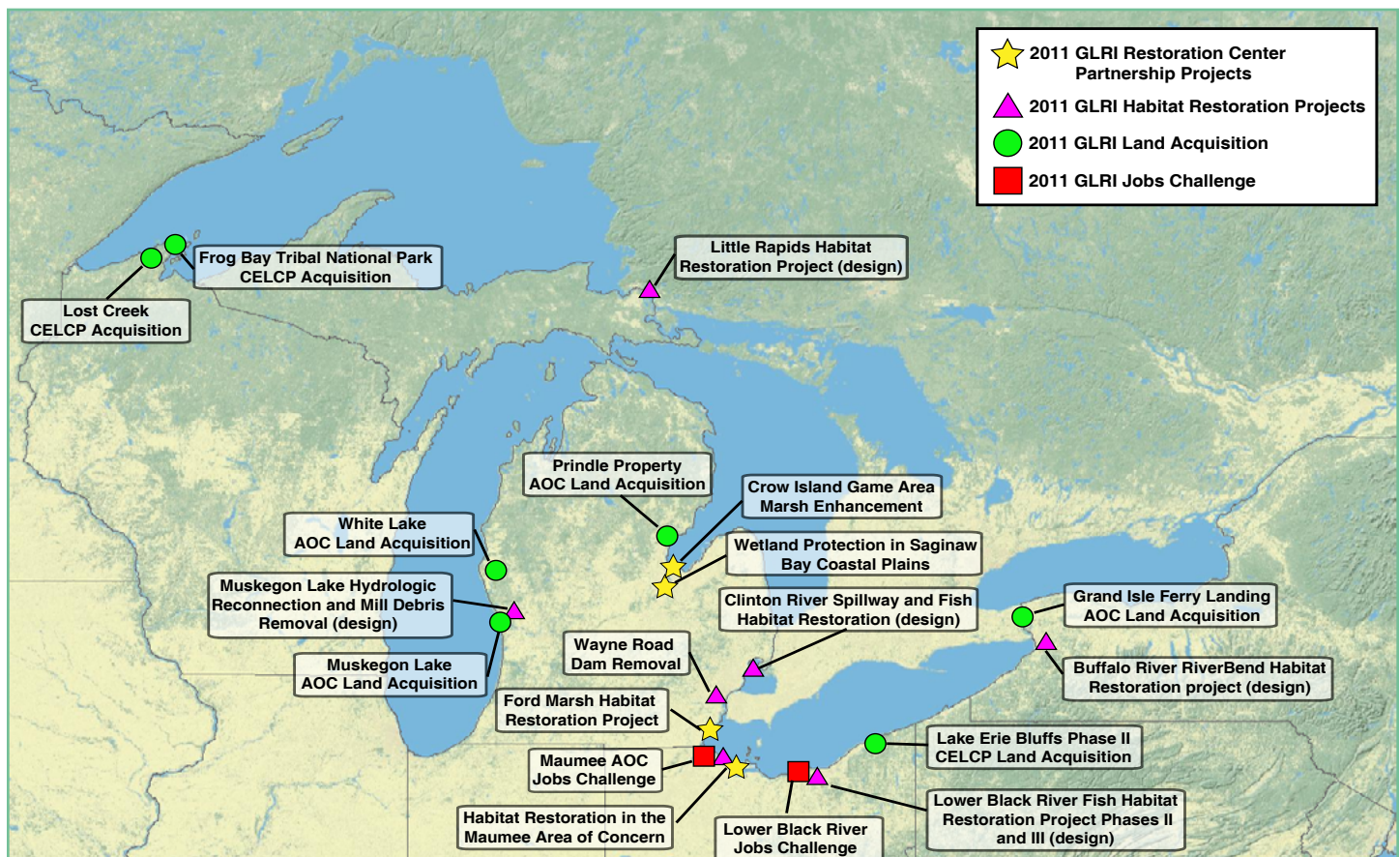
The health of Great Lakes habitats and wildlife depends upon the protection and restoration of ecosystems. A multitude of threats affect the health of Great Lakes habitats and wildlife, and many opportunities exist to protect and restore critical elements of the Great Lakes ecosystem.

Great Lakes Habitat Restoration Program

The Great Lakes Habitat Restoration Program plans, implements, and funds coastal habitat restoration throughout the Great Lakes region through Restoration Center Partnership Projects, Habitat Restoration Projects, and Jobs Challenge Projects. Projects include providing financial and technical assistance to remove dams and barriers, construct fish passage, clean up marine debris, restore coastal wetlands, and remove invasive species.

Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program

The Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) provides state and local governments with matching funds to purchase significant coastal lands. GLRI Land Acquisition CELCP projects will protect wetlands and other important coastal habitats, reduce coastal water pollution, and provide the public with access to Great Lakes coasts.



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